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MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

[1] Dr KENNETH E APPEL, Pres, American Psychiatric Ass'n, at annual conv in St Louis: "We are trying to solve the problems of the atomic age with horse-and-buggy methods and concepts. The world is filled with feelings of fear, hatred and mutual suspicion. Methods used to treat mentally disturbed individuals might profitably be employed in internat'l relationships." . . . [2] Sen WM F KNOWLAND (R-Calif): "If there is appeasement at Geneva, this country itself might well become a continental Dien Bien Phu." . . . [3] Adm WM (Bull) HALSEY: "I can't see any difference in getting killed by a hydrogen bomb or a hand grenade. In other words, there's just too much hysteria." . . . [4] WM F BUCKLEY, Jr, co-author of the book *McCarthy and His Enemies*: "Men who have never had the spirit to face up to their mothers-in-law are suddenly aware that they can now earn the badge of courage by denouncing Sen McCarthy." . . . [5] Dr CHAS MAYO, chief of Mayo

Quote of the Week

LESTER B PEARSON, Canadian For'gn Sec'y, at Geneva Conf: "As a leader of the delegation of a country which is neighbor of the most powerful state in the world, I can say . . . that the people of the U S are neither aggressive nor imperialist, and it is the people of the U S that freely elect their gov'ts."

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Clinic, and U S delegate to UN: "The (Army-McCarthy) hearings are so far below the dignity of this country that it is almost not understandable. . . It is getting to be a most difficult thing to accept app'tment to gov't service, you subject yourself to such indignities, insults and untruths." . . . [6] TERRY BRENNAN, Notre Dame football coach: "Every time you see a college whose students tend to be 'pinks', it's because they don't get enough of a red-blooded sports program."

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INDO-CHINA: If you are somewhat confused by conflicting statements, you have considerable company. No one has had any realistic idea that a stable settlement would result from the Geneva conf. There remains, as these lines are written, the distinct possibility that a cease-fire may be independently negotiated by France. But that could be only a brief breathing-spell.

We have expressed in recent wks our expectation that U S will become involved in Asian conflict, but have perhaps not sufficiently emphasized that this will be a collective conflict; an alliance of nations to curb the further spread of communism.

This is the next step after Geneva—group action by U S, France, Britain and Pacific nations. Theory is that this united action will cause reds to back down. We don't

think it will work that way; they have too much at stake. If reds persist in aggression, then war seems highly probable. How big a war? Well, everyone hopes it will remain "little", but you can't order conflicts made to measure.

Obvious confusion and apparent dissension results from fact that U S spokesmen talked prematurely, and without formal consultation with allies. Churchill must wait until pending elections are out of the way. Open endorsement of Pacific alliance now would probably return Labor party to power.

UNIONS: The cause of organized labor prospers when business is a little slow. Workers feel they need security of the group to hold jobs and keep the ground gained. Unions are driving hard for new mbrs, and making some net gains. It will be interesting to watch their progress.

BUSINESS: One of our friends in industry sums up the situation: "Well, it isn't quite as bad as I had thought—but then I hardly thought it would be."



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ADVERSITY—1

Yrs ago, a young man, went West to make a fortune. He invested in a fruit farm. Eventually the trees came to the time when they were loaded with bloom. Friends came to admire the blossoms and to exclaim over the promise of fruit.

That night a frost blasted every blossom in his orchard. His pastor called to console him but the fruit farmer was bitter.

"See how God has treated me," he said cynically.

"My boy," said the aged minister, "God is trying to make a man out of you, and you are quarreling with the process."—HERBERT LOCKYER, "Key to Prosperity," *Christian Life*, 5-'54.

AGE—2

Looking around on class reunions, it appears as tho we are entering the "Metallicage"—gold in our teeth, silver in our hair, and lead in our pants.—*Gilcrafter*, hm, Gilbert Paper Co.

ART—3

Whistler was once complimented by an admiring lady who said, "I was reminded of your paintings when I walked along the river the other day. The air was so clear that the trees and foliage looked as if you had painted them."

"That's true," Whistler repl'd. "Even Nature is beginning finally to get on to the trick." — *Senior Synolastic*.

ATOMIC AGE—4

Automatically this country has inherited the continuing responsibility of being the leader in atomic development, and of symbolizing the strength of democracy the world over. Like it or not, we've got the ball, and we can drop it for an error, or continue to throw strikes as long as we can.—D C ROBERSON, editorial, *Isotopics*.

BEHAVIOR—5

If the meek would only combine intelligence, organization, and unflinching courage and endurance with their meekness, it is difficult to see what could prevent them from inheriting the earth. — C D BROAD, *Religion, Philosophy and Psychological Research* (Harcourt Brace).

BUSINESS—6

Business is like an automobile. It will not run itself except downhill.—*Horizons*, syndicated by Cambridge Associates, Boston.

CHARACTER—7

Character is a victory, not a gift. —*Try Square*, hm, Vonnegut Hardware Co.

CHILD—Training—8

ABC of Parenthood. Always be consistent. — MARCELENE COX, *Ladies' Home Jnl*.

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The annual Senate wives' luncheon, one of the most exclusive of Washington's social affairs, is held traditionally on last Tuesday of April. This yr's meeting has been twice postponed because Senate Office Bldg caucus room, their customary meeting-place, has been usurped by Army-McCarthy hearings. The ladies are thoroughly outraged.

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Ranchwoman Eve Bowring, the new Republican U S Senator from Nebraska, surveyed the Washington situation and observed: "I'll keep quiet at first. I'll ride the fences until I find out where the gates are."

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Mrs Dwight D Eisenhower got the biggest laugh from comedian Victor Borge's antics at the Congressional Club breakfast the other day when he said he would play "Happy Birthday" the way "Harry S Beethoven would play it." He broke into *Missouri Waltz*. . . . Receipts of eating places in gov't bldgs make plain the drop in U S payroll. Number fed last yr was 36,985,897, compared to 40,549,352 a yr before.

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The wife of an important Pentagon official has been asked to keep her mouth shut. Her stinging remarks about McCarthy, at cocktail parties, have been the talk of the town.

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CHURCH—Attendance—9

Let us not park our brains at the door as we enter church, nor our hearts at the door as we leave. —Rev ROBT M HOLMES, *Christian Advocate*.

COMMUNISM—10

We cannot evade communism. We cannot avoid it. But our survival demands we understand it.—STUART W CONNER, former Special Agent for FBI.

CO-OPERATION—11

Back in the days when organs were pumped by hand, a very famous organist, leaving the platform after a fine performance, confided to a group of his admirers: "I really did some beautiful work this evening. I don't know when I ever played better!"

The boy who had pumped the wind for the organ scowled but kept silent.

The next evening the artist placed his hands on the keys, but there was no sound. He tried again. No response. He glared at the pumper and signalled that wind was needed.

The boy grinned and repl'd: "Say 'we', mister!"—*Fifth Wheel*, hm, Indiana Motor Truck Ass'n.

COST-OF-LIVING—12

Instead of dodging the issue of the high cost of food, let's face it squarely: Our major trouble is *the high cost of wanting*.—IDA BAILY ALLEN, *Today's Health*.

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Today's underprivileged are those who get no cost-of-living income boosts. — G C C *Sidelights*, hm, Gen'l Credit Corp'n, Denver.

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We're all pressed by some of the high prices — and taken to the cleaners by others. — *Lexington (Ky) Leader*.

Mining the Magazines



If enough people do enough talking about the obvious evils of compulsory retirement, we may in time get some remedial legislation. Sen Thos C Desmond, chmn of N Y State Joint Legislative Comm on Problems of Aging, takes a long look in *Jnl of Living* (May). He contends that we are killing a lot of Americans by needlessly subjecting them to "retirement shock"; that we are thus losing \$4 billion annually in production, and finally, that we are menacing nat'l security by depriving ourselves of the seasoned judgment of mature minds. His recommendation is that a Social Security bonus be given to those over 65 who elect to remain on the job, and that new goals of creative production be set up for oldsters.

Rowland Schiller, in *Collier's* (4-30-'54) tells "How Your Town Can Avoid a Recession." Gives danger signals and practical means for combatting "bad business" in your area. Case histories of towns already helping themselves out of the doldrums. There's a U S map indicating towns with past and present unemployment records.

Air conditioning is the big business of the moment. The room conditioning folks expect to do \$2 billion worth of business this yr. *Nation's Business* tells the story—and it's truly amazing—in Apr issue summary.

An item in *Ufer* (Germany) directs attention to the fact that only 10% of all plants have an agreeable odor. Which leads us to meditate with some misgivings on the attributed virtues of chlorophyll.



The chronic problem of the South, as just about everyone in and out of the area knows full well, is segregation. Lillian Smith, a Southerner who created quite an uproar with her novel, *Strange Fruit*, a few yrs ago, skirts the subject in "The Unanswered Question" in *Confluence* (May). "People are not talking much just now in the South," she says. "There is a curious lack of excitement. Feelings are too complex and ambivalent to be expressed in easy speech."

Sunday Times (London) was sued here awhile back by a man who claimed a published article was defamatory. The *Times* weaseled out of a tight spot by printing an apology. Then, author of the original article sued, on ground that the apology was libelous to her. Last month court awarded her 3,000 pounds damages.

If you want a good quick survey of where we stand in harnessing the atom, turn to "Atoms at Work" in *Dun's Review & Modern Industry*, Apr.

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Our Troubled World

In France, the political caldron seethes and bubbles with uncertainty; Russia hangs as usual like a cloud, dark and silent upon the horizon of Europe; while all the energies, resources and influences of the British Empire are sorely tried, and are yet to be tried more sorely, in coping with the vast and deadly disturbed relations in India and China.—A rep't in *Harper's Wkly*, 100 yrs ago. 13

DEBT—14

All I am or ever will be, I owe.
—MARY LOUISE WRIGHT, *DeWitt* (Ark) *Era-Enterprise*.

EDUCATION—15

An educational philosophy which encourages students to face real issues of controversy and to make up their own minds . . . is a stronger instrument for the development of democratic citizens . . . than a timid philosophy which seeks to withhold ideas on the ground that they might be dangerously used.—HAROLD TAYLOR, *On Education and Freedom* (Abelard-Schuman).

EMPLOYMENT—16

Most of us could find a better job, and usually it will be the one we're doing now.—P-K *Sideline*r, hm, Peter Kuntz Co.

FASHION—17

Style is not what, but how.—MARCELENE COX, *Ladies' Home Jnl*.

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GARDENS—Gardening—18

The lazy way to enjoy a beautiful, productive garden is to live next door to one, and cultivate your neighbor.—MRS RICHARD FISHER, W Branch (Ia) *Times*.

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Don't throw away the empty seed packets. They are often just the right size to store the crop.—*Wall St Jnl*.

GOD—and Man—19

A doctor has written me: "I am not a psychiatrist—surgery is my field—but I have cured more people by treating their souls than I have with a knife. About 75 to 80% of my patients do not really need medicine, they need God. They are all searching for something only God can give."—REV NORMAN VINCENT PEALE, "How to Live with Pain," *McCall's*, 4-'54.

It's all right with the Lord if you pray for a good harvest—but He expects you to keep right on plowing.—WILLIAM FEATHER.

GOVERNMENT—20

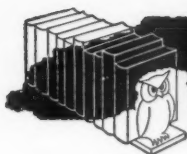
It's every American's duty to support his gov't, but not necessarily in the style to which it has become accustomed. — TOM CLIFFORD, *Industrial Press Service*.

HONESTY—21

Overheard in an elevator: "Sure, he's basically honest—but he keeps getting caught off base!"—HARVEY CAMPBELL, *Detroit*er.

HUMOR—22

If we had more humor on the American scene, we would have precious few rabble-rousers disturbing the peace.—JOHN B SHEERIN, "Let's Have Some Humor!" *Catholic World*.



Book Briefs

Not long ago we pointed out that supermkts are now offering encyclopedia sets at bargain prices, on a volume-at-a-time basis. Now the Nashville (Tenn.) Public Library has another plan for vending culture via the cash-and-carry. Small branch libraries have been set up in 3 local supermkts. Patrons may select a book, take it with them, free of charge, for 10 days. If they keep a book longer they are to pay 2 cents a day, dropping coins in a container when volume is ret'd. It's strictly honor system; no records kept. Circulation thru this new channel is currently at the rate of about 60,000 books a yr, "and working very well," we are told.

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, planning a movie version of F Scott Fitzgerald's *Babylon Revisited*, has borrowed Elliott Paul's title, *The Last Time I Saw Paris*. And now, suggests Maurice Dolbier, in the *Providence Journal*, if the picture people ever get around to a movie version of *The Last Time I Saw Paris*, there's a perfectly elegant title available—*Babylon Revisited*.

It would seem that publishers may be well on their way toward outdoing the apparel trade in the matter of rushing a season. In its issue of Apr 24, *Publishers' Wkly* carries a front cover and inside spread announcing Norton's "Greatest Fall List."

INFLATION NOTE: Columbia studios, planning to produce a motion picture from the book and stage play, *Phffft!* has altered the title to *Phfffft!*

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Ralph McGill, editor of the *Atlanta Constitution*, has given his new book of essays an engaging title: *The Fleas Come With the Dog* (Abingdon). The underlying philosophy is that you can't have growth and progress without some concomitant evils. In his little piece on "The Fight for Southern Cooking," McGill evangelizes heatedly against slattern roadside stands advertising culinary charms they are wholly incapable of delivering. "In some of these places," he concludes, "you would be well advised to order only coconuts or hard boiled eggs—and do the peeling personally."

The recent gala dinner celebrating Rob't Frost's 80th birthday was arranged on relatively short notice. All these yrs the distinguished poet had labored under the delusion that he was born in 1875. Then came the disclosure that the actual date was 1874. This was no shock to Mr Frost. "I had been suspecting for a long time," he confessed, "that I must be OLDER than that!"

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Walt Whitman

WALT WHITMAN, born 135 yrs ago (May 31, 1819) has been called the most original American poet. He remained productive thruout a long life, dying at the age of 73. Next yr we shall mark the centennial of Leaves of Grass. From its Preface we quote this tribute to the American people:

The Americans, of all nations at any time upon the earth, have probably the fullest poetical nature. The United States themselves are essentially the greatest poem. In the history of the earth hitherto the largest and most stirring appear tame and orderly to their ampler largeness and stir. Here at last is something in the doings of man that corresponds with the broadest doings of the day and night. Here is not merely a nation but a teeming nation of nations.

Other states indicate themselves in their deputies . . . but the genius of the United States is . . . always most in the common people . . . their deathless attachment to freedom—their aversion to anything indecorous or soft or mean. . . . The air they have of persons who never knew how it felt to stand in the presence of superiors . . . the President taking off his hat to them, not they to him—these, too are unrhymed poetry. It awaits the gigantic and generous treatment worthy of it.

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LIFE—Living—23

Life is a turnpike. Sundays are the filling stations along the way.
—REV MAX GOLDMAN, *Christian Advocate*.

LIFE—Purpose—24

The lowest possible state to which I could sink would be the one in which, before I died, I could say—I do not care whether the world is better for my having lived.—GEORGE BUCHANAN, *Passage Thru the Present*.

LOYALTY—25

Conformity can be had by bribery, flattery, or force, but one can no more legislate loyalty than one can legislate love, of which it is a part.—HUGH NIBLEY, *Western Political Quarterly*.

MONEY—26

Money is what you'd get on beautifully without if only other people weren't so crazy about it.—MARGARET CASE HARRIMAN, *Horizons*, syndicated by Cambridge Associates, Boston.

MORALS—27

An inhibition which represents a deep moral purpose is one of life's greatest assets. — ROY L SMITH, "Bad Things That Are Good For Us," *Christian Advocate*, 4-22-'54.

PEACE—28

There will never be universal peace as long as one man raises chickens and another raises a garden.—Arcadia (Wis) *News-Leader*.

POLITICS—29

Politicians are gettin' so high priced that they have to be rented instead of bought.—Gilcrafter, hm, Gilbert Paper Co.

Pathways to the Past



Week of
May 30-June 5

Park & Recreation Wk

Dairy Month (June)

Nat'l Ragweed Control Month (June)

May 30—Feast of St Joan of Arc. . . Memorial Day. . . 30th anniv (1924) of erection of a granite shaft at Belton, Mo, to memory of Carry A Nation, early temperance leader, noted for her action in smashing saloons with a hatchet. (Mrs Nation described herself picturesquely as "a bulldog running along at the feet of Jesus and barking at what he doesn't like.")

May 31—135th anniv (1819) b of Walt Whitman, American poet. . . Dissatisfied with course of war, radicals in Republican party met at Cleveland 90 yrs ago (1864) nominating Gen John C Fremont for President, to oppose Abraham Lincoln for re-election. (Fremont withdrew Sep 21). . . 65th anniv (1889) of Johnstown (Pa) flood. (Disaster resulted in 1st instance of a nationwide relief fund, totaling several million dollars.)

June 1—On this date 180 yrs ago (1774) an article by Benj Franklin, "On the Rise and Progress of Differences between Great Britain and Her American Colonies" appeared in the *Public Advertiser*, London. Proper heed to this temperate and reasoned survey might

well have avoided the oncoming Revolutionary War. . . 165 yrs ago (1789) U S Congress in its 1st act regulated the time and manner of administering oaths. . . 40 yrs ago (1914) Sec'y Josephus Daniels issued his not-very-popular order prohibiting use of alcoholic beverages in the Navy.

June 2—In an ironic move 30 yrs ago (1924) Congress granted citizenship to all Indians born in the U S. . . 30 yrs ago (1924) 1st conf held at Washington to plan construction of Pan-American Highway.

June 3—170 yrs ago (1784) U S shipped 1st bale of cotton to England.

June 4—On this date 165 yrs ago (1789) John Jacob Astor laid foundation of his real estate fortune by purchasing a lot on Bowery Road, Manhattan Island. . . Our 1st aircraft carrier, the *Ranger*, delivered to the Navy 20 yrs ago (1934).

June 5—Feast of St Boniface. . . Reciprocity with Canada (obtained by treaty with Great Britain) effective 100 yrs ago today (1854). . . 19th (Woman Suffrage) Amendment adopted by Congress 35 yrs ago (1919) and sent to states for ratification.

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"Of all things!"

A good deal of publicity has been given in recent yrs to the fact that more persons now die of heart disorders than from any other single cause. Talking at a mid-western health fair last month, Dr W W Bauer, director of Health Education for the American Medical Ass'n, pointed out that this fact is, in itself, of no particular significance.

"The simple truth is," he added, "that doctors would be happy to see more persons dying of heart failure. Our physical end must come in due course, and heart failure is a natural, normal termination of life."

The physician's concern, it should be emphasized, is with *premature* failure of the heart to function properly. "The aim of the medical profession is to postpone death from heart trouble until late in life, after man has jostled successfully with his other enemies."

In this battle, it must be said with complete frankness, the *attitude* of the individual counts more than medicine. "The new drugs and techniques may pull a patient out of a tight spot," Dr Bauer concluded, "but in the final analysis, man must devise his own destiny. You, as an individual, are pretty much on your own. Learn to live with your heart—for it is an obvious fact that you can't live without it!"

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PREJUDICE—30

Impartiality is either a delusion of the simple-minded . . . or the boast of the dishonest.—GAETANA SALVEMINI, *Prelude to World War II* (Doubleday).

RECREATION—31

Golf is what letter-carrying, ditch-digging, and carpet-beating would be if those 3 tasks were to be performed the same afternoon.—*Fifth Wheel*, hm, Indiana Motor Truck Ass'n.

SAFETY—Safe Driving—32

If you could figure the gambler's chances on some roads, the odds against the driver would be so great I doubt that a professional gambler would risk his life on them.—Dr BRUCE B GREENSHIELDS, traffic authority.

SOCIALISM—33

A nation cannot flirt with socialistic schemes without paying a terrific penalty for the experience. Once a country has ventured into the quicksands of crackpot policies, it is difficult to return to the firm footing of sound ideas.—EARL L SHANER, editorial, *Steel*.

SPEECH—Speaking—34

There's a chap at our meetings for whom I rejoice;

Thru debates and discussions I long for his voice.

Tho he'll rarely say more than 4 words in his turn,

He'll deliver them clearly: "I move we adjourn."—LEONARD K SCHIFF, *Maclean's*.

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A speech that is read is like a dried flower: the substance indeed, is there, but the color is faded and the perfume is gone.—PAUL LORAIN, *Toastmaster*.

TAXES—35

One of the great things about living in a democracy is that we have complete control of how we shall pay our taxes—cash, check or money order. — *Indiana Telephone News*, hm, Indiana Bell Telephone Co.

TEACHERS—Teaching—36

Sir Geo Henschel, the singer and conductor, was asked what method of vocal training he used with his pupils. "I have 25 or 30 students each season," he repl'd, "and I have 25 or 30 methods of teaching them."—NICOLAS SLONIMSKY, *Etude*.

TIME—37

Time is said to be a great healer. It may be that, but it certainly is no beauty specialist.—*Gilcrafter*, hm, Gilbert Paper Co.

VISION—Lack—38

According to Liehtze, the Chinese philosopher, there was once a man in the Kingdom of Ch'i who craved gold. He went to a shop that sold gold, grabbed some and ran. The police arrested him and asked, "How could you rob somebody else's gold in broad daylight and in front of all those people, too?"

The man of Ch'i ans'd, "When I reached for the gold, I saw only gold. I didn't see any people."—*Property*, syndicated by Cambridge Associates, Boston.

WISDOM—Ignorance—39

Learned ignorance is often praiseworthy, altho ignorant learning never is. — JACOB VINER, "A Modest Proposal for some Stress on Scholarship in Graduate Training," *Q'tly Jnl of Speech*, 2-'54.

In Brief

Geneva hotel men are rep'ted as not too happy over the conf of world leaders now in session. The meeting is frightening away the tourists and businessmen, who comprise the backbone of their patronage. * Ford is making some progress in its announced determination to overtake Chevrolet in number of cars sold this yr. They are currently leading and execs express "reasonable confidence" that their position can be maintained.

American Dairy Ass'n is launching a big promotion campaign in an effort to substitute a "milk break" in factories and offices, replacing the traditional "coffee break." * Electrical industry is now emphasizing point that in home lighting, you can regulate volume to express moods. Example: lights can be gradually dimmed when it's time for guests to go home. Presumably, if they remain impervious to suggestion, you can douse the glims completely.

Now that all American women are sweet smelling, the deodorant makers plan strenuous campaigns this spring and summer to capture the male trade.

Our nomination for the most involved reading of the wk: bulletin issued by an Eastern univ to promote a forthcoming conf. The subject under discussion: Work Simplification.

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Good Stories..... you can use

Mrs Eaglesfield, a tour leader at the local Art Museum, had a group of children in tow. The youngsters weren't exactly bursting with energy. As a lover and patron of the arts, Mrs Eaglesfield was somewhat disappointed. Nevertheless she tried to maintain her enthusiasm.

"This is a still life," bubbled Mrs Eaglesfield. No reaction. "What is a still life?" asked the friend of children. No reaction to the question or to the big smile or to the painting. "Come, come, children," she cont'd, "surely there is someone among you who knows what a still life is." An uncomfortable and long silence followed.

Finally a soft, sweet, slow voice sputtered to life: "I guess a still life is a mighty slow life."—Ed Sovola, *Indianapolis Times*. a

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A truant officer made a call at the home of a pupil whose absence had extended for over a wk. "Mickey is now past the 13th yr," said the boy's mother, "an' me an' his father think he's after havin' enough schoolin'."

"Enough schooling?" repeated the officer. "Why I did not finish my education until I was 23."

"Be that so?" said the woman in amazement. Then, reassuringly, after a thoughtful pause, "Well, sor, ye see that boy of ours has brains."—*Arkansas Baptist*. b

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I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

JEAN BLODGETT

A colored man stepped up to the bill-paying window of the local electric company.

"I want to make a payment," he said, pushing his bill across the counter.

"This bill covers the last 3 mo's," the clerk observed. "The total am't is —"

"Oh, ma'am," the customer interrupted, "I don' want to pay *all* of it—just the *due-est* part!"

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A traveling salesman ran out of gas one evening on a lonely road and asked at the only farm house in sight, "Can you put me up for the night?"

"I reckon I can," said the farmer, "if you don't mind sharing a room with my young son."

"Good heavens," gasped the salesman, "I'm in the wrong joke!" —*Kingan Folks*. c

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The children of the 3rd grade were going to draw pictures and write letters to boys and girls in for'gn countries. The teacher gave out names and addresses, and one little boy got a girl in Holland for a pen pal. That night he breezed into the house and announced cheerfully, "Guess what, Mom, I got a girl in Dutch!"—*American Eagle*, hm, American Forest Products Corp'n. d



Two parrots escaped from their cages and took refuge among the trees in the grounds of a mental institution. The owner of the birds asked the director of the asylum to help get them back. The director thought this might be possible, as one of the inmates believed himself to be a monkey. He asked this man to locate the parrots, one red and the other green.

After an hr or so, the fellow walked in with the red bird held firmly in his hand.

"What about the green parrot?" he was asked.

"I wouldn't take that one from his perch," the climber explained, "he wasn't ripe yet." — *Tit-Bits*, London.

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Jack Dempsey was visiting the studio of artist James Montgomery Flagg and, like most visitors, he got around to asking if the artist thought he had inherited his ability.

"I doubt it," said Flagg. "Now you take the Spanish painter, Velasquez. Did you ever hear of Velasquez's father?"

"No," Dempsey said.

"Did you ever hear of Velasquez's mother?"

"No."

"Well," Flagg said, "you see what I mean."

"Not exactly," Dempsey said. "To tell you the truth, I never heard of Velasquez, either." — *OLLIE M JAMES, Cincinnati Enquirer.*

With so many showers for brides, nearly everyone gets soaked.—*VESTA M KELLY.*

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Just about the only optimistic news in a paper these days is to be found in the ads.—*KAY INGRAM.*

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You've reached middle-age when you know how to take care of yourself — and intend to, one of these days.—*FRANKLIN P JONES.*

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A modern country is one which can ban fireworks and produce H-bombs. — *Scripps-Howard Newspapers.*

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The second most important thing to a young man is a car to take the most important for a ride.—*Kossuth Co (Ia) Advance.*

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Maybe the gals keep on their toes just to keep ahead of the heels.—*Lexington (Ky) Leader.*

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The trouble with a love triangle is that it is very likely to turn into a wrecktangle.—*OREN ARNOLD, Kiwanis Magazine.*

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A woman driver is a person who, when obeying every rule, is blamed for slowing down some man who isn't. — *MARCELENE COX, Ladies' Home Jnl.*

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According to an anecdote surreptitiously spread behind the Iron Curtain, Pres Wilhelm Pieck, of the Soviet puppet E German gov't, rode thru the streets in an automobile. No one cheered him.

Angry, he stormed into the office of Walter Ulbricht, deputy prime minister. Herr Ulbricht had an idea:

"Wait—now we'll both take a ride and you'll see how enthusiastic the people will be."

Sure enough, as they ride thru the streets everyone applauds and cheers.

"How did you manage such an ovation?" the President asked.

"Take a look," said Ulbricht, "at what I had painted on the rear of the car." The President then observed a large sign:

"We are leaving—Good bye!"

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A man was presented to the chief psychiatrist of a mental institution in Communist Poland.

"Doctor," his companion explained, "this man has lost his mind. He talks all the time of escaping from the country. Take care of him."

The psychiatrist repl'd cautiously. "The desire to escape from Poland does not necessarily indicate that your friend has lost his mind."

"No, doctor, this man is obviously insane. You see, he talks all the while of escaping to Soviet Russia." — ALEXANDER JANTA, *Partners*.

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Charlie was the most bashful lad in the English village. Naturally, the mbrs of his family were astonished when he told them one evening that he was going courting. After spending an hr getting ready, he set out. He returned half an hour later, looking very pleased with himself.

"You're back early," said his mother. "How did you get on?"

"All right," repl'd Charlie with a grin.

"Did you see her?"

"Ay, I did. An' if I 'adn't ducked down be'ind the 'edge, she'd 'ave seen me, too!"—*Capper's Wkly.* g

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A bulletin from the Library of Congress lists some new tongue-twisters to replace such old ones as "Peter Piper" and "She says she sells sea shells." Try them at your peril:

"Silly Sally swiftly shooed seven silly sheep. The seven silly sheep Silly Sally shooed shilly-shallied south."

"A haddock, a haddock, a black-spotted haddock. A black spot on the black back of the black-spotted haddock." — *QUOTE Washington Bureau.* h

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Paderewski appreciated fine food. After a dinner at his favorite restaurant, he told the waiter: "The fish was excellent, the meat delicious, and the dessert very good." The waiter went to the kitchen, but soon came back and said to Paderewski: "The chef wishes to thank you, sir, and wants me to tell you that the soup was good, too."—NICOLAS SLONIMSKY, *Etude.* i

A 2nd tightwad approached the 1st who was in line in front of the movie with his fiancée. Whispered the 2nd, "You don't know how to save money! Why not have her meet you inside the theater? Then she'd have to buy her own ticket."

"Yes, but who'd buy mine?"—*Revue de la Pensee Francaise*, Paris (QUOTE translation). j

"I wasn't born in a log cabin," declared the candidate, "but my folks moved into one as soon as they could afford it." — *Anderson* (S C) *Independent*. k



All For One

A Connecticut firm is offering a single solution that will clean, deodorize, de-flea, and bacteria-cure your dog or cat in one neat and easy treatment.—*News* item.

More quickly than one realizes,

With quite amazing ease,
One cleanses, cures, deodorizes,
And rids one's pet of fleas.

No more the liquid, salve, and powder,

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Takes care of dog or cat.

One single, easy application,

And all the toil is over.
Imagine, can't you, our elation?
(And that of Puss and Rover!)

A man and his wife, hiking in the woods, suddenly realized they had lost their way. Said the husband: "I wish Emily Post were here with us—I think we took the wrong fork."—*Hoard's Dairyman*. l

A stern employer was reprimanding an employee. "Mr Smith, I understand you've been going over my head!"

"Not that I know of, sir," ventured the timid employee.

"Humph," snorted the boss, "isn't it true that you've been praying for a raise?"—*Automotive Dealer News*. m

A lady was entertaining the small son of a friend. "Are you sure you can cut your own meat, Tommy?" she inquired.

"Oh, yes, thanks," ans'd the child politely. "I've often had it as tough as this at home."—*Link*. n

A local woman told her friend that her husband had gone skeet shooting several times recently, but that he hadn't brought home a single skeet. And then she added: "Say, how do you cook skeets?" — *Nuggets*, hm, Barnes-Ross Co. o

There's a bright side to everything. For every man who is saddened by the thought that he can't take it with him, at least 20 relatives are made happy.—*Wooden Barrel*, hm, Assoc'd Cooperage Industries of America. p

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Quote-ettes

Spokesman for Selective Service, revealing that some wives try to get husbands drafted ahead of schedule: "Some are after the monthly allotments; others just want to get rid of the guy." 1-Q-t

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Sen EVE BOWRING (R-Neb), explaining how she happened to enter Senate chamber wearing a hat—something that just isn't done: "I was dressed for a reception, and they called me back to vote. I forgot that I had a hat on."

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ERNEST W HAACK, Chicago, barefoot burglar, whose movements awakened a woman in her bedroom: "It's just a nightmare, lady; go back to sleep!" (But she screamed and summoned police.)

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News of the **NEW**

For the weekend gardener, Reynolds Metal Co has invented an aluminum foil that you insert between rows of vegetables. It's said to keep down weeds, keep out insects, keep in moisture. You cut slits in the metal to let rain thru. (*Business Week*, 330 W 42nd St, N Y C 36).

To support indoor or outdoor plants, vines or climbers, attractive, lacelike plastic rings are now available. Each ring stands 2 in high, has 3 legs. To build a trellis, you press legs of one ring into

soil around plant, then add rings, one on top of the other as plant grows up thru center and is supported. (*American Mag*, 640 5th Ave, N Y C 19).

New chemical weeder when 1st applied kills weed seeds, then undergoes a rapid chemical change to become a highly effective fertilizer. The chemical, calcium cyanide, is said to supply soil-sweetening lime and plant-feeding nitrogen during entire growing season. (*Science News Letter*, 1719 N St, N W, Washington 6, D C).

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